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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Miodag NOVAKOVIC et al.

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Covering Panels, In Particular for Floors, and

Covering Formed by Such Panels

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AMENDMENT

SIR:

Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of July 28, 2003. A check in the amount of \$55.00 in payment of the government fee for a one-month extension of time (small entity) is enclosed herewith.

In response to the Office Action dated July 28, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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